

LU's Unpaid Student Fees a Staggering \$300,000

"Please be advised" begins each of between 550 and 600 letters recently sent to Laurentian students by George Nimmock, Director of Accounting Services. The letters stated the dates for payment of fees and "...non payment of fees... may result in the student's dismissal..."

The date for payment was extended from January 8th, 1982, as stated in the calendar, to February 26th, 1982. After this date, Nimmock continues in his letter, "I will be initiating the deregistration process..."

With only 2400 full-time

undergraduates, the sudden dismissal of 600 would devastate the University.

When contacted, Nimmock freely discussed the problem and said, "There's no way we want to do this. It would be an administrative nightmare." But, Nimmock explained, the problem is very serious: "At February 11th, our Accounts Receivable for the current session stood at about \$300,000."

Not all of that is directly related to tuition. Some \$45,000 is not actually due until April and relates to some residence fees still out-

standing.

According to Nimmock, the response to the letter has been good, although he has only been able to estimate how much has come in. "There was a pretty good response," he remarked, saying that perhaps some \$100,000 had come in. The uncertainty arises from the fact that the university's computer is down, and the amount that is still outstanding won't be known until the computer is operational.

This is welcome news to some who are in arrears. Until the new A/R statement, is confirmed, the university will

be unable to take action against the students. By the time this reaches print, however, the computer should be operational.

While some have paid in full and some have paid in part and made arrangements regarding the rest, it is the students who have simply ignored Accounting that worry Nimmock. If they don't make arrangements with Accounting, they may face the "deregistration process."

The minimum action, one that is an accepted practice at other Ontario universities, is the sealing of an individual's

files in the Registrar's office. Access to the file and its information will only be allowed upon full payment (by certified cheque or a similarly guaranteed method) of outstanding fees.

There is, noted Nimmock, "One other bit of action...if the fees aren't paid, then we aren't going to let those people register again."

Part of the problem stems from students who don't apply for OSAP until they arrive at school. Others get less than they expected and either get caught up in an appeal process or find themselves short of money. Often these students won't or can't take the problem to their parents.

For those caught up in appeals, Nimmock emphasized that they should make some arrangement with Accounting. He also noted that there have been a number of theories advanced for the sudden increase in accounts receivable. With fees increasing steadily, however, it appears the problem won't go away by itself. The university's response is the current crackdown. □

LAMBDA

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Lambda will hold elections to fill the paid positions of Editor, Business Manager, and Production Manager, for next year (1982-83) on Sunday, March 21, 1982. The elections will be held at the offices of Lambda (G-1 Student Street,

Laurentian University) and will be conducted in the manner prescribed in the Lambda constitution.

Nominations for these positions are now open. Information can be obtained from Lambda staff members regard-

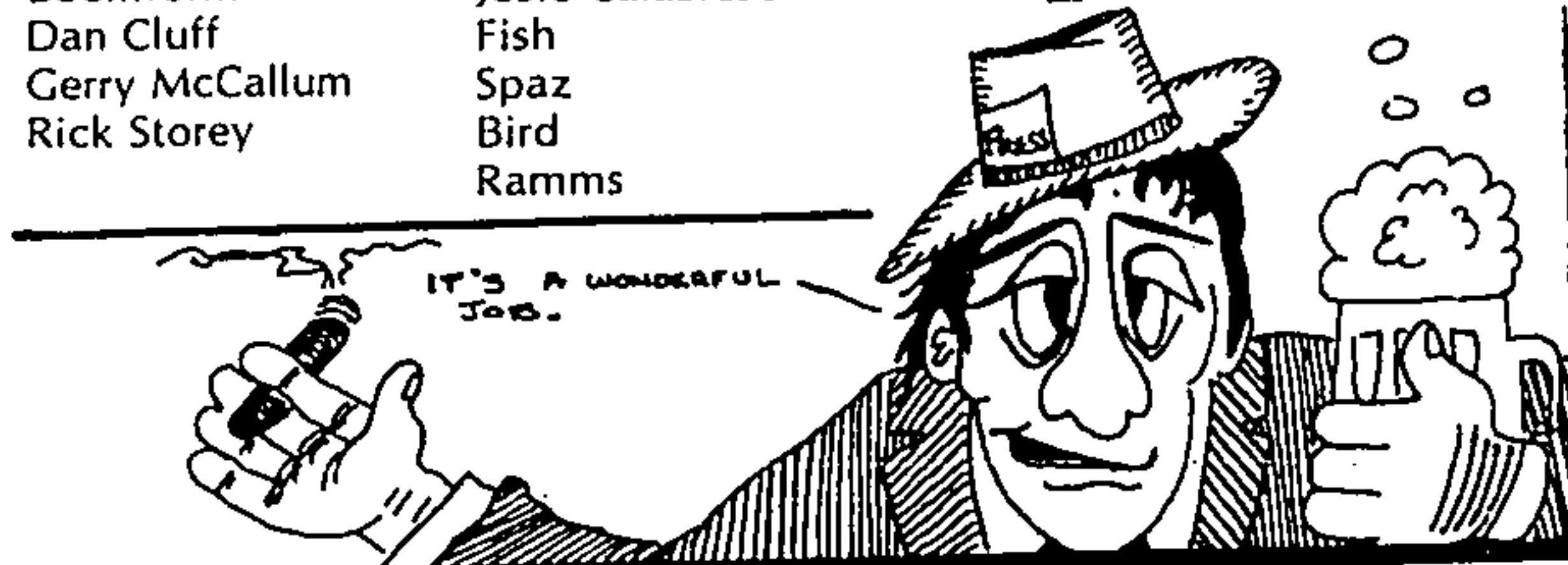
ing the means by which candidates are chosen.

Listed below are the names of current staff members eligible to vote in this election. If you feel that you should be on the list and are not, please contact us immediately.

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Dave Webb
Tony Ruffo
Dean Poppleton
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Dan Cluff
Gerry McCallum
Rick Storey

Gerry Metcalf
Gerry Spencer
Rekkus
Carolyn Gaunt
Rhonda Riedel
Randy Pascal
Josie Calabrese
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Bird
Ramms

Marlene McIntosh
Mike Baader
Heather MacDonald
Diane Erikson
Doug Griffin
Betty Choi
John Sturtridge



Ontario Protest Includes Sudbury

TORONTO—Ontario's post-secondary students are preparing for a week of occupations, sit-ins and rallies that will culminate in a province-wide Day of Action March 11. It's all part of a National Week of Action against education cutbacks, March 8-12, sponsored by the Canadian Federation of Students.

The Week of Action will involve students from all over Ontario, with activities in Toronto, Hamilton, London, Windsor, Kingston, Peterborough, Sudbury, and Thunder Bay. In Toronto, it will commence with students leafletting in the Young-Bloor area. A march from Ryerson Polytechnical Institute to Queen's Park will take place March 11 from 12 noon.

A major focus of student concern this month, according to OFS Chairperson Barb Taylor, will be the stalemated negotiations between the federal government and the provinces. "The federal government is professing on one hand to develop national objectives, and on the other hand proposing to slash education funding," says Taylor, whose organization represents 230,000 post-secondary students.

"At the same time, the provincial government is pointing its finger at Ottawa, while considering dismantling the student aid programme, and refusing to release its own accessibility study — even though tuition fees are skyrocketing," she says. "It's absolutely outrageous that Dr. Stephenson would take off to

the Middle East with so many important decisions about the education crisis being made. Where's the accountability?"

The Established Programmes Funding Act (EPF), which governs federal-provincial fiscal relations, expires on March 31. As well, sources have indicated that the Ontario government will be abandoning the grants-first provision of its student aid programme later this month. Meanwhile, a government accessibility report, written by York University's Paul Anisef, was submitted over a month ago and still awaits publication.

Several community colleges, whose reading weeks conflict with the national week, will be holding their activities either the week before or the week after March 11.

Report on SGA Council

By Doug Grittin

The National Week of Protest was the main subject of discussion at the March 2nd Students' General Association meeting. President Bill Scott began the discussion by stating what sort of events are planned at Laurentian University during the week of action. A motion was moved by Bill Bradley and seconded by Mario Cortis to have a rally in the Great Hall with local politicians and other guest speakers attending, and also to stage a protest downtown in front of the provincial and federal buildings. Council voted unanimously in favour.

The rally will take place on Monday, March 8th at 10 AM and immediately following the rally at 12 noon will be the protest downtown. A bus will be at the University to bring all concerned and interested people to the protest site. Barb Taylor, Chairperson of the Ontario Federation of Students, will be at Laurentian University to take part in the activities slated for Monday, March 8th.

Scott stated that "Lloyd Wagner, Director of Faculties at Laurentian, is willing to send a delegate to a protest in Ontario during the week of action." Dave Bronicheski said that a protest downtown is a good idea because "the students at the protest could tell the citizens of Sudbury how important the University is to the economic impact of the city and the serious consequences the underfunding of Laurentian University will have on the city's economy."

Following the report on the Week of Protest was a report on Exams in the Gymnasium. Sandra Ramer, a member of

the Physical Education Committee, attended the council meeting to express her feelings about the final exams taking place in Laurentian's gymnasium. Cortis asked Ramer about the reaction of the Physical Administration. Ramer replied by telling Cortis that "Everyone at the sports centre is very upset about this issue." Ron Greasley stated that it is very likely that a new floor may have to be reconstructed in the gym after the exams.

A motion was moved by Cortis and seconded by Mia Immink to propose a petition against having the exams in the Gymnasium. The council voted in favour of circulating petitions.

Scott reviewed a few date changes in regards to upcoming SGA elections. Election days will now be March 30th and 31st. Nominations will open March 13rd and close on March 17th at 5:00 pm. The position for CRO will open March 3rd and close on March 12th at 5:00pm.

The final topic of discussion was "Other Business." Bronicheski attacked Scott by stating that "It was wrong for Scott to react in the manner he did by telling Henry Best, president of Laurentian University, he would threaten not to endorse the Laurentian Fund if the students, who still owe their second payment to the University, are deregistered." Scott replied by saying that when 600 students who still owe \$500 are being threatened with deregistration, it is his right to react to this situation. Bronicheski said that Scott should not even consider jeopardizing the Laurentian Fund, to solve the problem of deregistration.

Powderpuff Action No Reflection of Name

Powder puff action continued at bell Grove Arena with 3 games on Sunday night. In the first game, the Huntington No—Names took to the ice to do battle with the S.S.R. Killer B's. The Killer B's put up a good fight, but the No—Names came away with a 7—0 victory. Goal scorers were Karen Latwinka with 3, Sue Carbone with 2, with singles from Lise Belanger and CYD.

The second match was a tough, fast game between the UC Mismatches and the Thorneloe Sisters. Thorneloe took the lead on a perfect pass from Julia Underhill to Dot Anstey, who quickly put the puck behind Lidia Petreti, the UC goalie. The Sisters improved their lead in the second period on a goal by Anita Bowerman, and the two goal deficit was just too great for the Mismatches to overcome.

The Sisters got goals from Marina Suominen and Diana Lortie in the 3rd period to give them the 4—0 victory. Mike Boadway, the alleged coach of the Mismatches, feels his team "played exceptionally

well." However, he adds "We had a lot of rookies in the line-up, and the girls had a case of the pre-game jitters." When asked about defending his consolation title, he commented that his team "will definitely come through in the play-offs."

The third game of the evening pitted the Huntington Ne'Ne's against the PHED Up team. PHED Up came out skating, which confused the Ne'Ne's and gave PHED Up an 8—0 victory. Peggy Smith led all scorers with four, France Marquis had two while Barb Lant and Lois Cummings added the singles.

Rabbi, the head coach of the Ne'Ne's, was not disappointed by his teams play. He explained that his team "hadn't quite gelled yet. We had bad breaks on numerous opportunities, and if not for the supreme goaltending of Janis Sanderson, it would have been a rout." He also wanted to mention that the "token black played an astute game on defense."

On Monday night, the

PHED Golden Blades skated to an 11—0 win over the SSR Killer B's. The Blades scoring was spread out over six players with Jackie Balleny getting the hat trick, Nichy Lafontaine, Cheryl Spotswood and Bobby Jo each with two and Fran Proulx and Nicky Sabourin adding the singles. Rookie Taylor was reportedly seen getting goon tips from the pro prior to the game.

The next game was a very close, tough battle in which PHED Up outlasted the UC Playgirls 6—4. Goal scorers for PHED were Peggy Smith and Barb Lant each with two, Lois Cummings and Debbie Beauchamp with the singles. Marlene Keranen was the marksman for all four of the Playgirls' goals.

Wednesday night was by far the most exciting this season. The first game saw a see-saw battle between the SSR Housecats and the Thorneloe Sisters. The Housecats struck early on a goal by Lisa Morris, but the Sisters fought back and Diane Lentric tied the game taking a 1-1 score into the dressing room. This set the tone for the rest of the game with end to end action.

The score was tied at the six minute mark of the final period, but with 1:22 left in the game, Janis St. Marseille put the Housecats ahead for the 6—5 victory. St. Marseille led the scoring with four, and Lisa Morris added another to give her two for the game. Thorneloe got two goals from Marina Suominen and singles from Lentric, Anita Bowerman and Miranda Wilson.

The next game saw the U of S Strokerettes show up to take on the SSR Poissonettes. In a tough battle with plenty of chances for both teams, U of S came up with a 2—0 victory, extending the Poissonettes streak to 23. However, the SSR team did have at least passes and managed to have stopped time for the last three minutes, two firsts in their history. Goal scorers for U of S were Carole Rioux and Sharon Pajunen. Rumour has it that the goalie for the Poissonettes is renegotiating her contract after an excellent game in net.

The last game of the evening saw the UC Mismatches take on the Huntington No—Names. Huntington easily penetrated the relatively all rookie Mismatch defense and came away with a 7—0 victory. Karen Letwinka scored three for the No—Names

while Nicole Raiche added two, and Sue Carbone and Terry Myers added the singles. A few of the Mismatches apparently felt that playing on the same side as the No Names would make them winners too. They were quickly set straight. □

Co-ed Volleyball Hits Laurentian

The Phys. Ed Council will be holding its annual co-ed volleyball tournament on March 20th, 1982, at 7:00 pm in the Ben Avery Gym.

Only sixteen teams will be allowed in the tournament. The entry fee of \$4.00 must be paid in advance at the Phys. Ed desk, before March 8th, 1982.

Tournament rules are explicit: (1) three girls and three guys must be on the court at all times; (2) the games will

last for fifteen minutes or 15 points; (3) there is a limit of one Varsity or ex-Varsity player per team; (4) males — there will be no spiking in front of the attack line; (5) there is a maximum of ten and a minimum of six players per team; (6) each team is guaranteed a minimum of two games.

For further information, please contact Sky Sapinski at 674-6817. □

Sports Reps: Jim Ford
Sky Sapinski

Debbie Kempney Takes Two Badminton Titles

The Intramural Badminton Tournament was held recently at the Ben Avery Physical Education Centre. Operated as a three day event, singles' action was on Wednesday, February 24th; the doubles' play was staged on Thursday February 25th; and the mixed doubles' matches were held on Tuesday, March 2nd.

Overall, the competition was strong with approximately 50 people participating. Organized by Rodney Groulx, the prizes for the tournament were sponsored by Carling O'Keefe. A set of mugs was awarded for a victory in the championship series while the consolation winners received baseball caps for their efforts.

A field of 18 contestants competed in the singles' contention. Ferdi Sutedjo won the men's championship, and Claude Delorme achieved the consolation prize. A contingent of four battled on the ladies' side. The top ranking was presented to Debbie Kempney. Top spot in the consolation round was dealt to B. Dussault.

On the following night, ten teams entered the division of men's doubles, and five teams struggled for success in women's doubles. Claude Delorme and Pierre Polon won the men's main event; the consolation winners were Clarence Griffin and Jerrol Bruser. Meanwhile, the women's champions were Debbie Kempney and Sue Carbone. The team of Marquis and Martin took the consolation round.

Fourteen mixed doubles teams collided on the final night of the tournament. The concluding results showed Jerrol Bruser and Debbie Kempney victorious in the championship series, and Lori Lisre and F. Conture attained first place in consolation play.

Congratulations to all winners and thank you all participants for competing. Special appreciation is extended to Ken Bahnuk for his contribution and Carling O'Keefe for their continued interest and support of the intramural program. □

Bruce MacEachen

Flyers on LU Campus

by Randy Pascal

Although Laurentian does not have a varsity women's hockey team, there remains nonetheless a viable alternative, the Sudbury Flyers. The Flyers, coached by Michael Valantic, a Laurentian student, are very quickly gaining respectability across Ontario as an extremely competitive women's hockey team. The rise to respectability has not been an easy one for the Flyers or Valantic, as he explained in a recent interview.

"Basically, you start off from scratch. The first few practices were just like running a hockey school. Because the age limits are so wide (from 18-32), different players have different needs. The dedication level differs from player to player."

Michael Valantic has progressed through the National Coaching Certificates Program and has found this instrumental in helping him learning

how to be a good coach. He hopes someday to move up in the coaching ranks, perhaps coaching at a varsity or semi-pro level. In the meantime, he dedicates numerous hours to the Flyers.

The Flyers are comprised of many present and former Laurentian students. Valantic feels that there are quite a few "very talented female hockey players in the north" and is certainly greatly in favor of seeing a women's varsity team at Laurentian. As it now stands, many girls who have played hockey before coming to Laurentian are converted to field hockey players.

This coming weekend, the Flyers are hosting the 2nd annual Sudbury Flyers Women's Hockey Tournament to be held in Coniston. Best of luck to Mike and the team! Hopefully, the amnyhours that they have put in will someday be rewarded. □

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Campus Employment Centre Experiences Booming Business

The Canada Employment Centre on campus is very busy indeed. An average of 40 students a day visit the Centre, most of them looking for summer jobs.

This year the Centre has received far more employment opportunities than it had at this time last year. However, the majority of the positions are in centres outside the Sudbury area. Many of them

are low paying. It is worth noting, however, that these same opportunities do provide relevant experience.

One such relevant program is Experience '82, sponsored by the Ontario Youth Secretariat. The program offers a wide range of jobs in provincial ministries and community organizations. There is an early deadline - April 1, 1982 - and

students should apply quickly.

The Ontario Youth Secretariat also provides another summer employment option - the Student Venture Capital Program. Loans of up to \$2,000 are available to students who wish to develop and operate their own small business. Applications are taken by local Chambers of Commerce and Boards of Trade in co-operation with the Ontario Youth Secretariat. Those that

have their applications approved receive interest free loans which must be repaid before October 1, 1982. Assistance in planning and managing small businesses is available.

The Ministry of Intergovernmental Affairs sponsors a program that has proven to be very popular. This year's version - Development in Municipal Administration -

1982. The program offers undergraduates relevant experience in municipal administrative functions as well as in planning duties.

For those experiencing difficulty in finding summer opportunities, the OYS publishes a book called *The Edge*. It details how to find a job and how to make the most of it. It is available in both English and French at the Employment Centre on campus. □

Blood Donor Clinic To Be Held Soon

A blood donor clinic is scheduled for March 17th, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., in the Great Hall at Laurentian University. For further information, call the Health Services on campus at extension 351.

The following is a listing of qualifications for blood donors. If you meet the qualifications, get out and support the clinic.

Age: 18th to 66th birthday.

Weight: minimum of 100 pounds or 45.4 kilograms.

Donation Frequency: at least 3 months between donations.

Medical History: you may not donate blood if you have or have had hepatitis, active

disease of the heart, lung, kidney, liver, stomach, cancer, diabetes requiring medication, epilepsy, convulsions or frequent fainting spells.

You may be temporarily

deferred if you have or had flu, cold, sore throat in the past seven days, pregnancy in the last 6 months, close contact with hepatitis in the last 6 months, ears pierced or tat-

toos in the last 6 months, active infection or disease, active allergies, minor surgery in the last 3 months, major surgery in the last 6 months, taken medication in the past

72 hours except for aspirin, vitamins, or birth control pills.

Prospective donors must eat within four hours of their donation. □

New Tournament

Attention! All women of Laurentian. Just what you've all been waiting for. A WOMEN'S INDOOR SOCCER TOURNAMENT. All women welcome. Get your teams together and hand in to the Phys Ed Centre by Thursday March 11, or to Nancy Moffat U.C. Rm 1005, 673-9960. Look forward to seeing you all on Saturday March 13 1982.

For further information contact Nancy Moffat.

Snooker Results

Congratulations go out from the Intramural Department to Patrick Sak of U.C., winner of the first annual Laurentian Snooker Tournament. He was declared champion on Feb. 28 when, after seven long hours of very tight competition, he had played fourteen games and won all but three. Patrick is a worthy victor and a fine sportsman.

Special thanks are also extended to the other seven finalists and all others who competed in the playdown tournaments.

Also of considerable help were Gord Crawford of Carling - O'Keefe and the good people at Holiday Lanes. Thank you all.

Convenor: Mike Bartlett.

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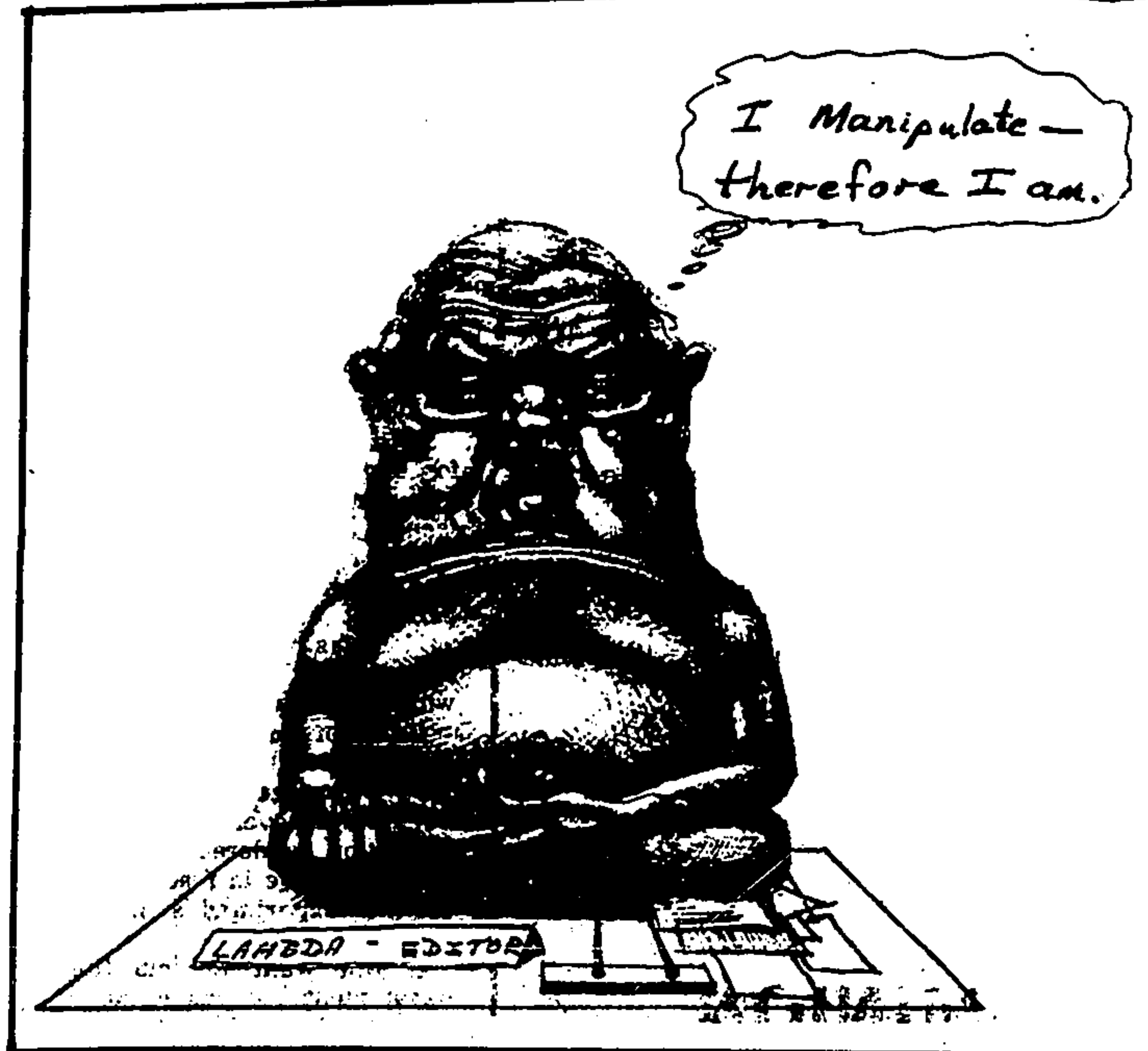
Lambda and Elections

It has been said that the very act of studying an object necessarily changes the nature of that object. Whereas light striking an object in a laboratory may change that object, the change is, from the layman's point of view, negligible. But the theorem may be applied to human affairs with more noticeable results. For example, it was not Nixon's tapes that got him into trouble; it was the study of those tapes. There is, of course, a monumental difference between the presidency of the United States and that of the Students' General Association, but the nature of the problem remains the same, especially at election time: the very act of reportage will necessarily influence the course of the upcoming elections.

In the States independent candidates are usually given very short shrift in the media. (John Anderson was an exception, but even he didn't start as an independent.) In this very direct and blunt fashion, the media helps dictate the course of an election. In much the same way Lambda can influence the SGA elections. We can do so overtly or covertly, directly or indirectly. But at the very least, Lambda necessarily — unavoidably — has an influence on the election. Since we know this, the question becomes, "How does Lambda choose to influence the upcoming election?"

The influence that Lambda exerts can be direct or indirect as we choose. Let's examine our options, looking first at the blunt and direct methods available to us. Lambda staffers are students, and they too must in the end decide for whom to vote. In other words, we necessarily form opinions about the candidates. If we wished, we could publish those opinions, and that would certainly have a direct effect on the election.

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more letters

Dear Editor,

Congratulations John, you have managed to degrade our student newspaper to new levels of simple sensationalism. A task only you personally could perform.

You have continuously attacked and insulted the Students' General Association for not doing their job. Well, Mr. Semi-Editor, the S.G.A. has done a remarkable job this year. Every single issue that has surfaced has been confronted in a straight-forward and honest manner. The Bourn's Report was handled quite efficiently by my Vice-President External, by the External Committee, by myself and by the S.G.A. Council.

The Laurentian Fund has been discussed in great detail, while maintaining our obligation to the students of Laurentian University. I don't see any mention of that in the "Lambda Enquirer".

The S.G.A. has been able to secure additional lighting in critical key areas of our campus. The S.G.A. has been instrumental in publishing a Yearbook for the first time in 10 years. The S.G.A. has organized protests, pickets, and a number of events to voice our concern in regards to the Provincial Government's underfunding policies. The S.G.A. purchased a pool table for the Voyageur Pub

- where all proceeds from the pool table is pure profit for the S.G.A.

- where the table provides entertainment for our students

- whereby it brings in additional business to the Voyageur Pub. The S.G.A. has been very instrumental in revamping the physical appearance of the Voyageur Pub. (Barnwood, athletic pictures, remodelling of the wahrooms, ect.). The S.G.A. has continuously examined the books of the Voyage-

ur Pub to try to discover any discrepancies (of which I have been informed there are many). The S.G.A. has rented new photocopiers in our office to assist the students. The S.G.A. has maintained regular office hours. Where have you been for days at a time? Taking your courses at Cambrian? The S.G.A. has gained extra representation on the Senate's Standing Committee - A.P.P.

The S.G.A. has organized the best Winter Carnival in years. Mario Cortis, the S.G.A. Executive, the S.G.A. Council, and myself were very busy putting together a Winter Carnival that all students could enjoy. The S.G.A. revamped Frosh Week (can you remember that far back?), to make it more enjoyable for both frosh and senior students. The S.G.A. published the best Handbook/Directory in years. We even got it published before Christmas.

The S.G.A. has hired the best student security staff in years. The SGA finally got the bus shelter back up after being down for over two years. The S.G.A. organized a number of charitable events to raise money for different charities. We held a number of meetings with Toiva Rukholm and Ron Riveas from Sudbury Transit to improve bus service to the University. The S.G.A. (with help of Fish and Vivienne) has revamped the Games Room to have it in a money making position for the first time ever. The SGA sold tickets for the Laurentian Vee's hockey team (we sold 100 tickets at \$1.00 — but gave \$168.00 to the team). The SGA was very instrumental in the Student Services Committee, where we drafted a number of realistic proposals in regards to the disabled, which the University is still investigating. The SGA organized Falconbridge underground tours for the students

of Laurentian University. The SGA organized an "Energy Week", where we staged a number of seminars in regards to energy.

Finally Mr. Editor, the S.G.A. contributes \$8,000.00 (eight thousand dollars) to help produce the student newspaper Lambda. In a recent article you stated that you are pulling away from S.G.A. control! Well Mr. Editor, the S.G.A. has never attempted to influence the paper. We have simply funded Lambda to the tune of \$8,000.00 and all we want are the facts and true representation of the issues.

In fact, Mr. Make-Believe Editor, I have been totally embarrassed this year in regards to the quality of our student newspaper. Never has Lambda been as full of mistakes, misquotes, and ridiculous observations from a so-called Editor.

In your latest attack on the S.G.A., you stated that you were glad that this was your last year at Laurentian. Well Mr. Editor, a number of faculty members and students have echoed the same sentiment... We are glad it is your last year. So many students have refused to work for Lambda this year because you personally have allowed the students' newspaper to be degraded and disrespected by many.

**Bill Scott
President**

Editor's Note:

While the SGA has indeed been largely responsible for the current version of the Pub — barnboard etcetera — this is not due to the efforts of Bill Scott. Most of the renovations were at least begun last year when Scott was not President, and were in fact decided on the year before last. It is unfair to the members of the Pub Services Committee of two years ago to take credit for their work.

SGA President Kicks B

To the Students of Laurentian University:

I would like to take this opportunity to clarify a few incorrect facts in last week's editorial by Lambda's make-believe Editor.

First of all, that so called Editor says that there is currently no Pub Agreement and that for the last six months there was none. That is incorrect. Last year's agreement is still in effect until the University Board of Governor's ratify the new agreement that I negotiated for.

That previous agreement says that all profits over and above \$12,000.00 would be shared equally by the S.G.A. and the University. At the same time, it clearly states "That all losses would be absorbed by the S.G.A." Is that fair Mr. Editor?

Is that agreement in the best interest of the students of Laurentian? No!!! That is why I have been negotiating since July to change that clause.

I secured from the University the following change:

"The parties agree that all profits of the 'Voyageur Pub' over and above the first \$15,000.00 shall be shared equally between the S.G.A. and Laurentian University. The first \$15,000.00 profits of the 'Voyageur Pub' shall be the sole property of the S.G.A. It is further agreed that all losses of the 'Voyageur Pub' over and above the first \$15,000.00 shall be shared equally between the S.G.A. and Laurentian University. The University may request from the S.G.A. reimbursement for their portion of the deficit incurred. However, no unreasonable request will be made by the University in this regard. Such profits are to be paid forthwith upon the completion of the yearly audited Pub financial statements. The

financial year for the operation of the 'Voyageur Pub' shall correspond with the financial year for the University."

In that Pub Agreement, there is a clause that states the University reserves the right to terminate the Pub Agreement and also the right to relocate the Voyageur Pub elsewhere on the University Campus. Well Mr. So Called Editor, I have been able to substitute the following clause in its place:

"The University reserves the right to terminate this agreement or to require relocation of the Voyageur Pub elsewhere on the University Campus provided that the new facilities will be equivalent in nature. Such relocation will not proceed until a written notice is submitted to the S.G.A. clearly describing the University's intent six months prior to any action taken. Such action would not be taken unreasonably or without prior consultation with the S.G.A."

Again, the S.G.A. has championed students' rights for the benefit of all students at Laurentian. What has the Editor and his rag been able to do besides spread negative waves where ever possible? Can't he say anything positive about anything?

In regards to that statement that I would not sign the Pub Agreement, the Editor has again shown his ignorance. I stated that if it was up to me, I would recommend that the S.G.A. not sign it simply because we have no control in the Pub. Until the students have a definite voice in regards to prices, policies, inventories and so on, why should the S.G.A. sign it?

Should I sign an agreement that holds the Students' General Association accountable for 75% of all losses when we

Student Supports Scott

Editor:

This letter is in response to last weeks vitriolic editorial which appeared in Lambda. What confuses me about this article is the fact that this is not the first scathing attack on this years SGA members, it is in actuality only one of many from our editor.

This continual criticism has a tendency to cast a shadow of doubt upon our editor's real motives for writing such apparently biased evaluations. Look inside Mr. Editor, are you sure that there aren't personal reasons for the comments that you made? Perhaps Bill beat you at Pool? Perhaps he didn't buy you a beer? or worse yet, perhaps your political perspectives don't coincide with his?

It is my impression that under recent Pub Agreements the SGA was to absorb all pub losses while they would only be allowed to share in the profits. Doesn't this situation trip a wire somewhere? Does this sound like good policy to you? Why should our SGA representatives allow the ad-

ministration to run roughshod over them?

Sure there have been years where profits were recognized in the Pub and these profits have benefitted Laurentian students, but with all the incredible losses due to computer error of late, why should the students of Laurentian not want a change in Pub policy? I believe that it makes better sense to share both the profits and the losses incurred in the operation of the Pub.

This year's SGA should be lauded for their efforts and accomplishments. We now have a Pub that looks like a Pub and not a cave; we now have lights between the library tower and student street (not to mention in the parking lot); our university is going to have a yearbook for the first time in ten years; the SGA has more representation on a variety of committees which they did not have prior to this year; efforts were made to have a real carnival and not a week-long blitz etc, etc.

I admire Bill Scott and the rest of the SGA for taking such a determined stance, and in the face of criticism, remaining adamant and loyal to their cause. What frightens me is that the criticism is being generated from within the student body. United we stand, Mr. Editor, divided we fall.

**Name Withheld
by Request**

the Board of Governor's to ratify it.

We are not ignoring our obligations in the Pub or anywhere else on campus, we are quite admirably securing concessions that benefit all students at Laurentian.

**Bill Scott
President**

Response From Admin

Dear Editor:

In reference to your editorial in the March 2, 1982 edition of Lambda, I would like to clarify to you and the Laurentian student body the points made concerning the Pub Agreement.

The SGA has not lost limited control of the Pub management and the agreement has not expired.

Since 1979 there has been a signed agreement between

the SGA and the University. Within the Pub Agreement is a clause which makes this agreement binding from year to year unless terminated in writing by either party. No party has terminated this agreement.

What has been received from the President of the SGA is a letter requesting changes to be "incorporated into the Voyageur Pub Agreement".

After considerable negot-

iations between Bill Scott and myself and Mr. Chrysler, these changes are scheduled to be brought to the Executive Committee of the Board of Governors for their consideration.

If these changes are approved by the Board Executive, only those 3 clauses which Bill Scott requested changed will be rewritten. Until that time the existing agreement will continue to be respected

**Romeo Bertoli
Director of Services**

The clause to which Mr. Bertoli refers has two parts, one which I call the binding phase and one which I call the termination phase. The first determines specific time periods during which the Pub Agreement must be honoured by both parties. Specific dates are given. The termination phase follows the expiration of the dates set in the binding phase and states that the agreement will continue unless terminated by either of the two parties.

When the binding phase is in effect, students have direct though limited control of the Pub. When it finishes, as it has, the students do face losing control of the Pub. The university could at any time simply terminate the agreement. The SGA could do nothing about it legally. It is all well and good for the administration to say that they'll leave things the way they are, but I still worry. The agreement should be signed so as to be back in the security of the (currently expired) binding phase of the Agreement.

Another thing - if the old Agreement is enforced, over the time it takes to get the new agreement signed, what happens if the Pub loses more money? The SGA will have to pay for it. The agreement should have been signed a

long time before this, if only to avoid that bleak possibility. In a letter that appeared in the September 22nd, 1981, edition of Lambda, Bill Scott stated, "...I feel an agreement is quite possible in the near future." So tell me, when did March and still unsigned become the "near future" for September?

Now, something in the way of a backhanded apology. In speaking only about Bill Scott in last week's editorial I did indeed (and perhaps unfairly) limit myself. The university administration and especially the Executive Committee are also to blame for letting the time drag. The new agreement should have been signed long ago.

Also, as to the comments of the writer whose name is by his or her request withheld, yes. You are correct. It is indeed better that if one shares in the profits then one should also share in any losses. When the contract is finally signed, then the students will indeed have gained a little. And yes, that will be Scott's doing. All I ask is that the contract be signed...

One last thing: it does relatively little good to spend week after week congratulating people about this, when

that needs doing. Most of what Bill mentions in his letters has been reported on in Lambda. We have reported on the Yearbook, on the Winter Carnival, on the first sit-in, on the pool table in the Pub. As for the demonstration that will have already been held by the time you read this, it will also be reported on. I feel that it is my responsibility to use the editorial page to comment on the things that haven't been done. This is not to cast aspersions hither and thither. Rather, it is intended to get out into the open certain things that should be considered. At least in my opinion. And that's what the editorial page is. My opinion. I make no claim to omniscience.

It was the intention of the paper to write an article about pros and cons of the Scott administration—a year in review sort of thing. As Scott's letters indicate, he is quite capable of telling everyone what it is that he has done. I do congratulate him on one thing—as far as I can recall, no one else has managed to turn a profit from the Games Room. That achievement is probably unique. □

Back Hard

have no input except to "advise the Director of Services." When I tried to change the word "advise" to that of "direct", I was given a flat-no way!

I have phoned Ron Chrysler every week since October trying to get that new Pub Agreement signed and ratified by the Executive of the Board of Governor's, but they have delayed for reasons of their own. Not the S.G.A., we have concluded our negotiations and we have agreed to the new proposals, now it is up to Ron Chrysler to get it before

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Compost has Elections

The Commerce Student Council elections are here again. Dates have been tentatively set as follows: nominations open Monday, March 15th at 9:00 am and close on Friday March 19th at 4:30 pm. Nomination forms will be made available in the Commerce Secretary's office on the 4th floor of the Fraser Building. Dates for Elections have been set for Tuesday and Wednesday, March 23 and 24. Candidates must abide by all rules. Good luck to those interested in running for Council Executive for 1982-83. We hope it will be a better year for all those who are returning.

The last meeting of the Commerce Student's Council brought up some very interesting facts about the situation with the School of Commerce and Administration. Several very concerned students made their views known which subsequently raised possible actions, students can take to understand the situation at hand. Details of these and other issues will be discussed in an open letter to the students in an upcoming issue of Lambda.



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Direct Influence A Possibility But Not For This Year's Lambda

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Rather than that extremely blunt approach, however, there are other, subtler, no less effective, direct means available. We might, for example, ignore a candidate. The less published, the less known. Rumour would take the upper hand, and the candidate could be ruined. Even worse, a candidate might be misquoted, quoted out of context, have his or her words subjected to typesetting "errors" — misspellings, omissions, annoying repetitions; things not even said may be attributed to a candidate with devastating results.

All these direct influences imply a common cause: a deliberate intent to guide the outcome of the election. A deliberate false quote, a misquote, a quote out of context, indicate an intent to damage or enhance the chances of one or the other of the candidates. (Enhancement of one may be had at the expense of another.) This is so-called "yellow" journalism, but you may be sure that yellow journalism is not the arsenal of this year's Lambda.

It should be pointed out that typesetting errors, and even misquotes, may be "honest" errors. In the complicated course of producing a publication, mistakes are unavoidable. (It is, sadly, this fact which allows yellow journalism to keep on its merry way.) All too often retractions or explanations of mistakes go unheeded or ignored; often they are just too late to help. On this, I can only say: "You pay your money, and you take your chances."

There is in the above direct methods of influence only one which I feel may be justified. That is the use of the editorial page. The editorial page is explicitly an opinion forum, and it is open not only to the editor, but to everyone who bothers to write a letter to the paper. Those who wish to use it may. Does this mean, however, that one candidate can be slandered while another is praised? Of course not. Opinion yes, but opinion based on fact, not slander or libel. As far as Lambda goes, however, there are other considerations, but let's leave these for the moment and consider the indirect methods that Lambda has at its disposal.

It is a newspaper's job to report and, as stated, the act of reporting influences what is reported. Lambda cannot ignore the election. We report who the candidates are; what their platforms, if any, are; what they have said. We do this, for example, at the SGA election's Bear Pit — candidates present themselves, make some sort of speech, and then field audience questions. Lambda reports on the session. In this way the words of the candidates are spread beyond those who were in the audience. This wider exposure influences the election. What a candidate says, in person, with sincerity and conviction ringing in his or her voice, often seems drastically different on the harsh and unyielding field of ink and paper.

As well, the reporter cannot simply provide quote after quote. He or she says in his/her own words what the candidate said. Consider:

three candidates respond to an audience question; the first, Harry Jordan, fumbles for an answer but manages, finally, with a good one; the second, Mary Kelly, had no answer; the third, Jane Ellis, answers quickly and decisively, but what she says is, simply, stupid. One reporter might begin by saying, "Jordan seemed unable to come up with a coherent answer, while Kelly just didn't bother to answer. Ellis, however, seemed prepared for the question and answered it without hesitation."

From this opening, a reporter might well mention only what Ellis had to say, not what Jordan had to say. The reporter was recording his impression, not grasping the content of what was said. Another reporter might have begun like this: "Neither Kelly nor Ellis provided satisfactory responses to the question, but Jordan gave a comprehensive answer." This time the reporter comments directly on the content of the answer, but there is still a major problem. Even if he or she is right, a reporter walks a thin line when commentary slips into the story. Especially unconscious commentary.

Another version of this problem appears when reporters not only report, but ask questions. The choice of a question, as well as the phrasing of a question, can definitely influence the answers of the candidates. If a question is asked which shows the strength of one candidate and the weakness of another (which is not in itself invalid) but then is not followed up with a question which shows the reverse, the audience or the reader is left with an incomplete picture, one which favours one candidate over another. But the phrasing of the question can be even more dangerous.

Suppose, for example, there is a candidate for student president who feels that cutbacks are a necessary part of an integrated government policy of fiscal restraint. He or she is in serious trouble if asked the following question: "Since cutbacks are destroying post-secondary education, what do you propose to do about them?" The candidate is faced with an almost impossible task. He or she must first dispose of a widely held, deeply entrenched belief which, whether right or wrong, is an emotional landmine. This before the candidate can even begin to answer the question and make whatever his or her point is.

There are, then, many ways in which Lambda, in reporting the election, could influence its course. The direct, even brutal, methods available will not, of course, be considered. With one exception. As I noted, it is my belief that the editorial page should be used to voice opinions about the candidates, should even urge the reader to vote for a specific candidate. I believe that to be the basic nature and proper use of the editorial page. In this case, however, there are mitigating circumstances.

First let me point out that casual discussions with the staff have shown that, as a whole, the staff disagrees with me on this. I suspect it's because Lambda will have to work with whoever is elected, so why risk supporting one candidate and face the possibility of dealing with someone else. (This assumes that Lambda's backing might not be enough to insure victory. It is a fair assumption.) In my opinion this is an ethically invalid (though practical) argument. Nonetheless, Lambda is a democratic institution, and the wishes of the majority prevail.

Accepting this doesn't bother me as it should. The reason is this: Lambda, like most of you, will have nowhere near enough time and nowhere near enough information to make a sound decision on the candidates. Your votes will be largely uninformed guesses, cast in a popularity contest that has little if anything to do with talent or capability. Lambda will only know very little more about the candidates. We will hear more gossip; we will hear a little more politicking; we will hear more and different sources pontificate, but those will be either gossip or politic based. So, like all of you, we'll guess at election time and face the consequences next year.

So much, then, for direct influence. We are left with indirect influence through reportage. Since we all will know too little, Lambda has traditionally opened its pages to the candidates by posing questions and printing answers. Additionally, we have covered the Bear Pit sessions and asked questions of the candidates. We will continue this this year.

What about the problems as covered under indirect influences? Simple. We are aware of them and will work toward lessening their effects. We will choose our questions carefully, avoiding, where possible, limiting assumptions. We will do our best to report what was said, and to do so without interpretation. In short, we'll try our best. We cannot escape the problem altogether. But, then, should we? If Lambda is as fair as possible, our influence on you should be beneficial: we will provide you with at least some information, and this should help make for a better voter choice.

To all the candidates, then, come in and get the questions as soon as you can. There will be certain groundrules: (1) In order to minimize editorial influence (that is, to keep me from changing what you say) all submissions will be printed exactly as we receive them — misspellings, grammar problems, dumb remarks, are your fault, not ours. (2) Each question will have a stated word length. Stick to it. If the length is 250, we will typeset 250, not one word more. (3) Neatness counts. If I can't read what you hand in, it goes in the can.

In closing, I would like to point out that problems inherent in reportage appear in every paper, not just in Lambda. Consider the boast of the New York Times: they print "All the news that's fit to print." Oh yeah, says I (and Oriana Fallaci and probably a zillion others)? So who decides what's "fit"? □

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Carmie Solves Problem Of Drought

by the Byrd

There will be a bearpit session for the candidates for the various posts on Thorneloe Residence Council on Sunday, March 14, at 8 pm. Come and hear what the candidates have to say. The election will be held on Tuesday, March 16, from 5 to 7 pm at the main doors of Thorneloe College. Get involved, and have a say in Council's activities for next

year. For more info., see CRO Bev Jones, Rm. 231, Thorneloe (674-6716).

Now to the interesting stuff! Last weeks "Let's Get Physical" Party was great, with closet jocks from all over participating. Despite the mess and the hangovers on Saturday, it was decided by all that this was one of the best parties of the year.

The Thorneloe ladies-girls-

females-sisters-hockey team got off to a flying start, recording a shutout in their first game. Wild & Crazy Mim got the shutout as they beat the Poisonettes 4-0. In their second game Wednesday, the girls-ladies etc. succumbed (\$3.75 word) to the SSR Housecats, 6-5. Big D got the

first goal, and Marina tallied 2, Zamboni 1, and Susan 1. Both games were entertaining, and congratulations go to Coach Dave Lee for his work with the girls (as in work on hockey, you perverts!)

Nad News this week refers to the great drought, wherein our water was cut off for a few

hours, then fully returned. The only problem was that fully returned actually meant only 1/4 returned. But the problem was solved! Thanks to Carmie for her initiative and a very large thank-you to Dr. Peake for coming out at midnight to make sure the problem was rectified. □

MASH Up at Huntington

by Spaz

Headlines...last Saturday night Huntington College was invaded by an American Army Unit armed with Punch glasses. The Mash 4077 unit infiltrated I-J house, and believe me there are a lot of casualties after that night.

Speaking about casualties, the latest losers in Huntington appear to be the guys 'C' hockey team. With players such as Chan the man, Bruce the 'bum', Horrible Hilary and Magic McRae there's no hope for the helpless. However, some of Huntington's hockey teams have been doing pretty well, especially the girl's No Names who won their first two games by scores of 7-0. Of course, a lot of it had to do with the goaling efforts of Heather Brown, along with the great coaching of Mario, Mike and Tom. The other girls hockey team, the NeNe's have not fared so well, with one loss of 8-0.

The new social center manager and assistant manager were picked for the fall and congratulations go out to Helen Lindfors, the Social centre manager, and Theresa Surraci, assistant manager. Elections for the new council will be held on Tuesday March 16th, so make sure you get out and vote.

The Huntington Year End Banquet will be held on the 20th at the Sheraton Caswell,

and tickets go on sale for 15 dollars a person. A few personal notes before I sign off for today...anybody who is in Tran should go down and see Wendy Wilson in order to join the George Pitcher fan club. Also, Happy Belated Birthday goes out to Peter 'Cheese' Malcomson. Bye. □

Bonjour tout le monde! Et comment ça va? Le printemps est presque arrivé et il ne reste que cinq semaines de classe. I know that this column is way overdue, so I'll try to bring you rapidly up-to-date. Tickets for the Annual Tran Banquet were ready last Thursday and are on sale now! So get yours soon and prepare for a wonderful evening of wine, women, and song!

The Translation Study Break

trip was great fun for all, right Giulia?! The gang visited Trois Rivières, attended class there, had dinner in the pub, and Linda caught up with old friends. In Quebec City there were visits to Laval University, museums et des restaurants bien connus pour les crêpes délicieuses, n'est-ce pas Chris?! It was cold, but the group enjoyed a glimpse of Quebec's Winter Carnival too. It was a fun trip and will leave good memories

for a long time to come.

Congrats to Anne-Marie, Roy, and Ian who will be going to Trois Rivières next year to study. Good luck and best wishes to all you three.

Alors mes amis je pense que c'est tout. C'est près de la fin de l'année et nous devons travailler très fort, n'est-ce pas?! Well, time to return to my books.

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